



**Study of the United States Institute for Student Leaders on**  
**Women's Leadership**  
**2013 Program for Pakistan**

**Information for Applicants**

Under Graduate Female Students are invited to apply for participation in the “Study of the United States Institute for Student Leaders on Women’s Leadership” youth academic exchange program. The Institute will take place from June 22 to Saturday, July 27, 2013. The program will be intensive, academic, and highly interactive. The program sponsors seek energetic applicants who are ready to develop their skills in order to be effective leaders in their schools and communities.

**Program Description:** Study of the U.S. Institutes for Student Leaders are intensive academic programs whose purpose is to provide groups of undergraduate student leaders with a deeper understanding of the United States, while simultaneously enhancing their leadership skills.

The program will bring 26 undergraduate female students enhancing their leadership skills. The U.S. Institute for Women's Leadership will examine the history and participation of women in public life in the United States. The Institute will focus on developing participant's leadership skills in areas such as critical thinking, communication, decision-making, and managerial abilities and placing these abilities in the context of the history and participation of women in U.S. politics, economics, culture, and society. The Institute will examine the historical domestic progress towards women's equality in the United States, the current domestic successes and challenges to women in a variety of fields, and current challenges in global women's issues. The academic residency will be complemented by an educational study tour that will take participants to other locations in the United States where they will meet with local, state, private, and nonprofit organizations working in the.

**What else do I need to know?**

The United States Government, in conjunction with its partner host institution will pay for international, domestic, and ground transportation to and from the United States, orientations, books, cultural activities, meals, mailing and incidental allowances; and housing and subsistence.

Participants are responsible for expenses related to the application process (copying, mailing, photographs, etc.), and spending money for souvenirs, telephone calls, and other personal items in the United States.

### **Who is eligible to apply and how will they be selected?**

The participants are expected to be highly motivated and exemplary undergraduate students from colleges, universities, and other institutions of higher education. While all candidates will have a strong interest in Women's Leadership, their fields of study might vary, and can include disciplines such as Politics, Law, Engineering, Medicine, Science, Biotechnology, Business, Economics, International Development, Management, and others.

Students will be evaluated on the following characteristics.

- Currently enrolled in an **Under Graduate Study Program** at a public college/university or studying in a private institution on a scholarship/financial assistance.
- Interested in the topic of Women's Leadership
- Be fluent in English
- Be between 18 and 25 years of age
- Have at least one semester remaining in their university studies and be committed to returning home to complete their degree
- Demonstrate strong leadership qualities
- Indicate a serious interest in learning about the United States
- Have a sustained high level of academic achievement, as indicated by grades, awards, and teacher recommendations
- Have demonstrate commitment to community and extracurricular university activities
- Have little or no prior study or travel experience in the United States or elsewhere outside of their home country
- Be mature, responsible, independent, confident, open-minded, tolerant, thoughtful, and inquisitive
- Be willing and able to fully participate in an intensive academic program, community service, and educational travel
- Be comfortable with campus life, prepared to share living accommodations, and able to make adjustments to cultural and social practices different from those of their home country.

### **How do I apply?**

Download the application form from <http://goo.gl/qv5yz> fill it, and submit it by sending an email at [pas.peshawar@gmail.com](mailto:pas.peshawar@gmail.com) by **November 28, 2013**. Take special care in answering the essay questions.

The Public Affairs Section will contact the applicants selected for interviews based on the criteria above, as demonstrated in the application. Interviews will take place in late November 2013 at a location specified to the shortlisted candidates at a later date.

The list of finalists and alternates will be announced by end of December 2013.

**And after that...?**

The selected participants will need to obtain passports and apply for U.S. visas with the assistance of the Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy.

Students will receive orientation materials in the weeks prior to the start of the program to help prepare them for the program and their trip to the United States. Participants will have an opportunity to speak with the Public Affairs Section about the program.

Participants will travel to the United States for the Institute in the summer of 2013.

Thank you for your interest in the program and good luck with your applications!